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23	SANTIAGO, and SUSAN LYNN HARVEY, individually and on behalf of all	SUBMISSION
24	others similarly situated,	Judge: Hon. Richard Seeborg
25	Plaintiffs,	
26	Vs.	
	GOOGLE LLC,	
27	Defendant.	
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Pursuant to the Court's October 25, 2024 order (Dkt. 438), Plaintiffs Anibal Rodriguez, Sal Cataldo, Julian Santiago, and Susan Lynn Harvey ("Plaintiffs") and Defendant Google LLC ("Google") (collectively the "Parties") jointly submit this filing regarding the briefing schedule for the remaining pretrial motions.

The table below includes briefing deadlines and other deadlines agreed to by the Parties based on the Court's Guidelines for Final Pretrial Conference in Civil Jury Cases. After this table, the Parties include a short statement regarding two unresolved issues, where the Parties have also identified their different positions in the table below.

Event	Date	Parties' Positions (If Different)
Google files its damages- related motion	December 19, 2024	
Plaintiffs file their opposition to Google's damages-related motion	January 16, 2024	
Google files its reply in support of its damages-related motion	January 30, 2024	
Parties file any <i>Daubert</i> motions	April 3, 2025	Plaintiffs: Does not include Google's motion to exclude Sundar Pichai Google: Includes Google's motion to exclude Sundar Pichai
Parties file oppositions to any Daubert motions	April 24, 2025	
Parties file replies in support of any <i>Daubert</i> motions	May 1, 2025	
Parties file proposed juror questionnaires	May 23, 2025	
If any dispute, Parties file responses to proposed juror questionnaires	June 2, 2025	
If any dispute, Parties file replies to proposed juror questionnaires	June 6, 2025	

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Court ordered juror questionnaires sent to potential jury pool	June 20, 2025	
Parties exchange final set of exhibits, summaries, charts, and diagrams to be used at trial (other than those solely for impeachment or rebuttal)	June 6, 2025	Plaintiffs: Includes demonstratives Google: Does not include demonstratives
Parties exchange objections to exhibits, summaries, charts, and diagrams to be used at trial	June 20, 2025	Plaintiffs: Includes demonstratives Google: Does not include demonstratives
Parties file Joint Pretrial Statement and Proposed Order	June 24, 2025	
Parties file motions in limine	June 24, 2025	Plaintiffs: Includes Google's motion to exclude Sundar Pichai Google: Does not include Google's motion to exclude Sundar Pichai
Parties file any oppositions to motions <i>in limine</i>	July 3, 2025	
Parties lodge final set of exhibits, summaries, charts, and diagrams to be used at trial (and any outstanding objections)	July 11, 2025	Plaintiffs: Includes demonstratives Google: Does not include demonstratives
Parties file proposed jury instructions and verdict forms	July 14, 2025	
Deadline for potential jurors to return juror questionnaire	July 18, 2025	
Final Pretrial Conference	July 23, 2025	
Parties exchange deposition and discovery designations	July 24, 2025	
Deadline to request daily transcripts and/or Realtime reporting (optional)	August 4, 2025	
Parties exchange any objections to deposition and discovery designations (and counter designations)	August 7, 2025	
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Final set of exhibits due to the Court (3 sets of pre-marked exhibits in 3-ring binders delivered to Courtroom Deputy)	August 13, 2025	
Parties file final deposition and discovery designations with any counter designations	August 14, 2025	
Trial Commences	August 18, 2025	

While the Parties attempted to resolve all scheduling matters, two issues remain: (1) the briefing schedule for Google's motion regarding whether Sundar Pichai may be called by Plaintiffs to testify at trial; and (2) what deadlines should govern exchanging and submitting demonstratives to be used at trial and any objections.

Plaintiffs' Separate Statement

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Pichai Motion. The Court indicated during the last case management conference that Google should file any motion seeking to prevent Plaintiffs from calling Sundar Pichai as a witness at trial with the motions in limine. When Google's counsel presented this issue regarding Mr. Pichai, the Court stated: "I would ordinarily do that in the context of the pre-trial conference and the motions in limine, because I pretty much need to have a good sense of how the trial is going to be shaking out before I start making calls on what witnesses are going to be testifying. So I know you may want that, but I think that's a bit premature, as far as I'm concerned." Oct. 10, 2024 Hearing Tr. at 7:14–20. Plaintiffs agree. Separating this trial-focused evidentiary motion from the other motions in limine is unnecessary, especially considering that the Pretrial Conference is scheduled nearly a month before trial, leaving Google ample time to plan accordingly. See Dkt. 438. Google's heated accusation (below) that this is somehow tied to mediation is false. Mr. Pichai's false testimony to Congress regarding the WAA controls featured prominently in this case long before that mediation, including in Plaintiffs' complaint, in expert reports, during depositions, and in briefing both class certification and summary judgment. See Dkt. 427 at 3. Regardless, Plaintiffs defer to the Court on when it wishes to have this discrete trial-related issue briefed by the Parties.

Demonstratives. Plaintiffs propose that the deadlines for exchanging demonstratives, objecting to demonstratives, and lodging final copies of demonstratives should be the same as the other similar materials—including "summaries", "charts", and "diagrams"—to be used at trial. See Guidelines for Final Pretrial Conference in Civil Jury Cases Before Chief District Judge Richard Seeborg, at 3. Based on Plaintiffs' proposed schedule, the Parties would lodge all material to be used at trial (including demonstratives) one month before trial, with the Parties working together to resolve any objections to the proposed demonstratives in advance. Plaintiffs believe this would be useful for both the Parties and the Court, and Plaintiffs hope this will help narrow the scope of any disputes and avoid burdening the Court unnecessarily during trial. 10 Plaintiffs of course defer to the Court on the appropriate deadlines for demonstratives.

Google's Separate Statement

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Pichai Motion. Google and Plaintiffs disagree on the timing for Google's motion to exclude Sundar Pichai, Google's CEO, from testifying at trial. Google proposes aligning the deadline with *Daubert* motions on April 3, 2025, while Plaintiffs propose filing it with motions in limine on June 30, 2025, to be resolved at the pretrial conference on July 23, 2025.

Mr. Pichai's position as CEO makes his situation distinct. His professional responsibilities are significant and typically scheduled well in advance, making last-minute changes especially disruptive. Further, Mr. Pichai has not been a custodian or deponent in this case, meaning his preparation would have to start from scratch. Under Plaintiffs' proposed timeline, if the motion is denied, there would be less than a month to schedule him for trial.

Additionally, Google's counsel are scheduled to participate in two other trials in Summer 2025, creating further logistical challenges. Resolving this issue in April 2025—after summary judgment has been decided—would minimize unnecessary uncertainty and avoid the need for disruptive preemptive holds on Mr. Pichai's schedule, which would be required under Plaintiffs' approach.

Finally, Plaintiffs provide no rationale for refusing to advance the decision on Mr. Pichai's potential need to attend trial. But it is clear that Plaintiffs' last-minute addition of Mr. Pichai's name to their initial disclosures, years after fact discovery closed but only days after a mediation

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failed, is designed to exert settlement pressure, not to secure a just determination in this case.
Given that Plaintiffs cannot identify a reason why they cannot explain their position in the Spring
rather than Summer about Mr. Pichai, Google respectfully requests that any motion to exclude
Mr. Pichai's trial testimony be addressed alongside Daubert motions, far enough in advance to
address the unique difficulties involved in setting his schedule. And, should the Court rule Mr.
Pichai must attend trial, an earlier decision on this will help resolve any potential conflicts with
scheduled events during the time period of the trial, including if necessary, any appeal to the
Court to make adjustments to the trial schedule. A later decision may cause avoidable conflict
and chaos.

Demonstratives. The parties also disagree on the treatment of demonstratives for trial. Plaintiffs propose that the deadline for demonstratives align with the deadline for charts and diagrams to be used at trial. Google, however, does not agree that demonstratives need to be addressed so far in advance. Demonstratives are not part of Judge Seeborg's standing order. And an exchange of demonstratives several weeks before motions in limine are decided borders on useless. Nor are demonstratives the same as "summaries, charts, and diagrams," which are evidence affected by applicable Rules of Evidence, unlike demonstratives. While Google is open to later discussions to establish a mutually workable schedule for demonstratives closer to trial, it does not believe their inclusion in the current briefing schedule is necessary or appropriate, and Plaintiffs have not identified any justification for deviating from the usual course. Google therefore also respectfully requests the Court's guidance on this issue.

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